

# Breastfeeding after scans

If you have a suspected pulmonary embolism (lung blood clot), you may be sent for imaging. Depending on the type of scan, **you may need to temporarily stop breastfeeding afterwards**. Our staff can support you to express during this time.

<b>CTPA</b>		<b>Continue as normal</b>
<b>V/Q scan</b>		<b>Stop, “pump and dump” for 13 hours after</b>

**CTPA** takes place in Radiology (Level 1)) and may involve an injection of “contrast” liquid.

**V/Q or Q scans** are done in Medical Physics and involve breathing in a gas, and an injection. You can express milk before the scan for use that day.